

NORWICH WILL BE FAST TEAM

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Schedule Opens Wednesday Evening With Holy Cross Games at Worcester—Many Good Games Arranged.

Northfield, Dec. 9.—The basket ball schedule at Norwich university for the coming season has just been completed and is the best schedule ever presented. Manager Harbour deserves much credit for the hard work necessitated for the arrangement of such a schedule. Cadet Barney was elected captain of the team some weeks ago to fill the vacancy made by Watson, who captained the team last year. Watson is the only man gone who played on last year's team, and the material in the freshmen's class is quite good, and it is expected that the team will be much faster than last year.

The following is the schedule: Dec. 21, Holy Cross at Worcester; Dec. 22, Dartmouth at Hanover; Jan. 6, McGill university at Northfield; Jan. 10, Cushing academy at Ashburnham; Jan. 12, Brown at Providence; Jan. 13, Connecticut Agricultural college at Storrs, Conn.; Jan. 18, Tufts at Northfield; Jan. 22, Vermont at Burlington; Jan. 23, Worcester Polytechnic institute at Northfield; Jan. 31, New Hampshire college, Northfield; Feb. 4, Vermont academy at Saxtons River; Feb. 5 (evening), Lowell Textile at Lowell; Feb. 6, Dean academy at Franklin; Feb. 7, Holy Cross at Northfield; Feb. 19, Vermont at Northfield; Feb. 28, Wesleyan at Northfield; March 2, Kimball Union academy at Northfield.

ST. JOHNSBURY WINS, 13-12

East Boston C. L. A. Team is Beaten in a Brilliant Contest.

Boston, Dec. 9.—In one of the fastest games of basketball seen in this vicinity for some time, the St. Johnsbury, Vt. team scored a 13 to 12 victory over the East Boston Catholic Literary association team in Lyceum hall, East Boston, Saturday evening.

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first basket being thrown by Abert. As the game progressed the play became rather rough. When time was called at the finish of the first half, East Boston was in the lead by the score of 9 to 8.

St. Johnsbury wiped out this lead in the second half by the most brilliant kind of play. The East Boston men, especially Cummings and Fox, put up a fast game, but were well covered by their opponents. The summary: St. Johnsbury, East Boston. Doyle, r f, 1 b, Hayes Shock, l f, 1 b, Cummings Matthews, c, Vaughan Henshell, r b, Abert Bouthwell, l f, Fox Score, St. Johnsbury 13, E. B. C. L. A. 12; goals from the floor, Doyle, Matthews, Henshell, Shock, Fox, 2; Abert, Vaughan, Cummings; goals from fouls, Matthews 5, Vaughan, Fox; referee, Davis; scorer, J. Martin; time, M. Dolan; timer, 20-minute periods; attendance, 1,200.

Vermont Academy 30, Troy C. A. 25. Saxtons River, Dec. 9.—Vermont academy team opened its basket ball season Saturday afternoon by defeating the Troy conference academy, 30 to 25. Thayer and Zwick excelled for Vermont academy, and McCormick for the Troy conference academy. The passing of the home team was a feature. The summary: Vermont Academy, Troy Con. Acad. Thayer, r f, 1 b, Platt Couch, Van Dyke, l f, Jones Squires, c, McCormick Fuller, Reynolds, r b, Stoddard Zwick, l b, Garrison Score, Vermont academy 30, Troy conference academy 25; goals from the floor, McCormick 5, Zwick 4, Thayer 4, Garrison 2, Couch, Van Dyke; goals from fouls, Thayer 4, McCormick 1; referee, Heath; umpire, Campbell; time, 20-minute halves.

Brattleboro Was Beaten.

Keene, N. H., Dec. 9.—The Keene athletic club basket ball team defeated the Brattleboro, Vt. team in the armory hall Saturday evening by the score of 21 to 8. Although referee Dee gave the Brattleboro team the benefit of the decisions, the local team was too fast. Martin of the visitors did all the scoring for his team, while Matkaiew of the local team was in the game every minute. The summary: Keene, Brattleboro. Mathew, r f, Stafford Sebastian, l f, Doran Camberg, c, Glen Cannon, r b, Laasale Anson, l b, Martin Score, Keene 21, Brattleboro 8; goals from floor, Mathew 5, Sebastian 3, Anson, Cameron, Martin 3; goals from fouls, Mathew, Martin 2; referee, Dee; scorer, Spencer; timer, Williams; time, two 20-minute halves; attendance, 400.

A CONTESTED WILL CASE.

Caledonia County Court Takes a Recess Recess Until Monday. St. Johnsbury, Dec. 7.—Caledonia court adjourned at noon Saturday until Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The will case of Martha Mason, respondent of the will of Jane Mason vs. John Mason, contestant, apt., has been on trial since Thursday morning. The time was taken up Friday with the evidence of the proponent. Her evident substance has been that the testatrix when she made her will was of sound mind and that the will was her free act, no influence being brought to bear upon her as to the disposition of her property. And further, that by the will the property, excepting some small legacies, was left to the testatrix in equal shares. The claim of the contestant is that the mind of the testatrix had become unsound and that in this condition she was unduly influenced by her daughter, Martha Mason, with whom she lived alone on the home farm. As an evidence of this it is shown that in the will the said Martha Mason is given the right to take the farm at the price of \$4,000, according to a contract entered into between the testatrix and Martha some time previous to the execution of the will. This, according to the contestant, is less than half the actual value of the farm; and that the testatrix would never have allowed the farm to go at any such price unless unduly influenced. So the issue of the farm is one of the main issues in the case. The contestant contends that the will should be set aside and the full value paid for the farm thus increasing the value of the estate and, in this way, the respective shares of the devisees. The evidence of the proponent shows that the farm is worth no more than the price to be paid by her for it.

BROKE THE QUARANTINE.

Drunken Persons at Rutland Evidently Wanted to Get Measles. Rutland, Dec. 9.—Lizzie Bitchel and Fred McGowan, both of Whitehall, N. Y., had to face charges of intoxication, breach of the peace, and breaking quarantine in city court Saturday as the result of a drunken spree Friday night. They went to the house of Mrs. Fred Reels, which was in quarantine for the measles, and raised such a rumpus that the police were called. They were given a small fine for each offense, and being unable to pay will serve fifty to sixty days each.

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WILL SPREAD ABROAD

Roosevelt Taken at His Word—Only Four Out of 54 Interviewed in Washington Declare for Him in Spite of His Declination.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Sixteen members of the Republican national committee on Saturday afternoon expressed themselves as not advocating the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt for a third term. Many of them, original Roosevelt men, acquiesced as conclusive the president's statement issued on the night of the late national election. Four national committeemen are for Roosevelt, without reference to the possibility of his declination. Eleven national committeemen declined to express their opinion, believing they should wait further enlightenment from the White House concerning the president's wishes. The remaining twenty-three members would not answer questions as to their presidential preference. Among the opinions given, Senator Dillingham of Vermont (proxy) says: "I have always said the president the compliment of taking him at his word."

IF RENOMINATED, HE WILL, DECLINE

That is the News About Roosevelt Which the National Committeemen Will Spread.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Members of the Republican national committee left Washington Saturday night to spread the news that Theodore Roosevelt, if renominated, will decline. That he would not again serve as president he has told perhaps fifty callers within the last two weeks. The president is trying his best, unofficially, to head off the third-term idea until he can see Mr. Taft and determine whether to compile another office announcement that he is out of the race with the statement that he believes Taft to be the most available candidate. Secretary Taft will arrive in Washington, Dec. 18.

President Roosevelt told a member of the national committee that under no circumstances will he serve another term and asked those to inform the press of their home states. Two committeemen told a World correspondent of the conversation Saturday night, and four others and a United States senator were told the same thing by the president Saturday.

Chicago Wins Convention.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Chicago was an indifferent captor Saturday of the next Republican national convention, which will be held on June 16, 1908. The vote on the first ballot stood: Chicago 32, Kansas City 17, and Denver 4. A moment later it was made unanimous in favor of the leading competitor, and the date was decided without much discussion. It was a case of the convention seeking Chicago.

THAT TAFT MISHAP.

Suggestions to War Department For Preventing a Reiteration. Washington, Dec. 9.—The accident to Secretary Taft's trousers, which delayed him so much that the dinner given in his honor by the Russian foreign minister was almost spoiled, has attracted considerable attention here. It is realized that in a contest for such accidents in Taft's case is very great and that it might easily happen that he might be delayed so long that an important state function would be wholly spoiled. The war department officials are now considering the possibility of devising special apparatus for ensuring the safety of Taft's pants against all possible contingencies. Many valuable suggestions have already come to the department.

CANNON RAPS AT GOMPERS.

Speaker Hints at Union Labor "Dictatorship." Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—Speaker Cannon expressed his sentiments Saturday toward organized labor and its leader, Samuel Gompers, with respect to the latter's campaign for his (the speaker's) defeat. The occasion was a call upon him by a committee from the local union of plate engravers. A set of resolutions, commending the speaker for his legislative work in behalf of the plate workers, was presented by the chairman of the delegation, Chas. T. Smith. In reply Speaker Cannon, after expressing his gratification at the confidence conveyed, entered into a formal discussion of "one man political leadership" of organized labor. He said that while he bore no enmity toward the president of the American Federation of Labor he did not believe the union men as American citizens would ever accept a dictatorship over their votes; that if he were a craft-worker he would ally himself with a trade union, because uniformity had been the vehicle of progress toward better conditions for all ways of earning, and that while his fealty toward organized labor would not waver if he were affiliated with it, he as an American, would hold his franchise above the right of any leader to direct. He paid a high compliment to Mr. Gompers' ability as an organizer.

Root's Son Takes Bride.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 9.—At the home of President M. W. Stryker of Hamilton college yesterday took place the marriage of Miss Alida Stryker and Elihu Root, jr., son of the secretary of state. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride.

PRESIDENCY OR PRIVATE LIFE.

Where Hughes Will Go to After Finishing Term as Governor. New York, Dec. 9.—Senator Alfred R. Tamm, regarded as one of Gov. Hughes' personal friends, said at New York that the governor would not accept a renomination. He said that if the governor continued in public life after the end of next year it would be because the Republicans elected him president of the United States. "Without exception," Senator Tamm said, "the friends of Gov. Hughes are convinced that under no circumstances will he accept a renomination for governor. He has made sacrifices enough already and the people should not ask him to continue to make them to his own detriment. I think by the time he has completed his present term he will also have done the work which he was elected to do—done it thoroughly and will have completed it. The same qualities, moreover, which would make him again desirable as a governor, would make him quite as desirable in the office of president."

WHY HE WAS TARDY.

Mishap to Taft's Trousers Stirrs War Department. St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—The tardiness of Secretary Taft in arriving at the dinner given in his honor on Wednesday evening by Foreign Minister Iwolsky, which at the time occasioned considerable comment, was due to an accident to Taft's trousers. While trying to stoop to pick up a handkerchief, which he dropped just as he was about to start, one of his trousers legs gave way at the knee. Dinner was ready, the guests were waiting, and the hostess was worried. Finally Minister Iwolsky telephoned Secretary Taft's hotel in order to learn the cause of the delay. In the polite possible message Secretary Taft replied that there was no mistake about the hour, but that he was unavoidably detained. Then he explained as politely as he could that his pants had burst. The secretary's predicament was increased because all his other available garments had been sent away, and it took 35 minutes to repair the rent in Mr. Taft's garment.

A WALKING CLASS.

Some Few Things to Be Taken Into Consideration. My walkers are required to take draughts of cold water while walking, not a long drink, but a short one, scarcely a mouthful. Other rules can be summed up very simply, says a walking teacher in the New York Sun. "Don't walk right after a meal and don't walk when you feel tired. Walk before meals and walk when you feel lively. Walking when one feels dull and lifeless will never assist one. Let your clothing be light, winter and summer. Vary your path when walking. There is no use walking for health or exercise unless the skin is prepared for it. The woman who does not take a daily dip or who is content with a warm bath and a morning of indolence will find that her walk does her little good. She must brisk in her movements and must prepare her skin for outdoor exercise. Walkers get very tired because of the eye strain. They get tired in the head before they get tired in the feet. A man tips his hat over his eyes, but a woman pulls down her veil and walks on. A veil makes the head ache. Better wear a hat that shades the eyes well. Women seldom get the best results from their walking simply because they do not know enough to dress properly. The hat should be pinned so securely that it will stay on and the collar should be rather loose so that the neck muscles can do their work. This people should walk slowly in order to get good air and to gain weight. A slow walk with the clothing just comfortably adjusted, will put fat on the walker, particularly, if she will stop each hour and take a little luncheon. Walkers should learn to take plenty of muscle food. It will not fatten them, but will give them endurance. Apples and almonds are ideal muscle foods, and so are bananas, rice and red grapes. All fruits that ripen in the sun are good for the muscles."

A Guess.

"I'd like to know," said Dumley. "What this quotation means: 'sic transit gloria mundi'." "Search me!" replied Wiggins. "Those first two words, though, sound as if they might have something to do with an ambulance."—Philadelphia Press.

The Bachelor's Ideal.

The excuse that they have never met the right woman seems to be popular among bachelors. Call him not selfish that he does not wed, Compelling one that worships him to share An ever growing load of sordid care, The ceaseless struggle for his daily bread. He sits alone before his dying fire Envyng others their domestic joys, The love and laughter of their girls and boys, This exile from the land of his desire. Despite what truly selfish lovers say, Enough for one is not enough for two, Or else were all arithmetic untrue, Whose laws mankind with one consent obey. It is not that he craves the simpler life, Short of the tiling that minister to ease; He feels the loss of comforts such as these Would be distinctly hard upon his wife. Only in dreams he sometimes sees his fate, Divinely fair and sweetly womanly, The perfect, the incomparable she Whose love might draw him from his lone estate. She makes the way to matrimony clear, Obedient and patient, slow to vex, Endowed with all the virtues of her sex, And something like ten thousand pounds a year. —London Daily Mail.

THREE DIE IN FLAMES

Others May Die as Result of Boston Fire

FOUR DEAD, EIGHT HURT

One Day's Record of Violent Deaths, Accidents and Sudden Illness Occurring in the City of Boston.

Boston, Dec. 9.—A sleeping mother and her two babies were burned to death as they slept, the husband and father, Peter Joubert, was injured by breaking through a blanket into which he jumped from a third-story window, and several other tenants of the lodging house at 26 Lagrange street were injured at a fire which practically destroyed the house at 2:30 yesterday morning.

The Dead. Mrs. Peter Joubert, 38. Charles Joubert, son, 9. Emilie, daughter, 5. Probably Dying. Peter Joubert, husband and father. Peter Dietrich. Andrew Darlter.

The house, conducted by a Mrs. Washburn, was well filled with permanent lodgers. The fire broke out on the third floor, and soon the top of the building was a mass of flame. Jack Harley, brother of Captain Dan of Harvard fame, Sergeant Guard, Patrolman Murphy and John Halborn rushed into the station before the arrival of the apparatus and emerged with a blanket. Joubert jumped, but went through to the sidewalk. He broke several bones and was injured internally. The police, a few moments later, fighting through smoke and flame, reached the top floor, and then, in bed, burned to a crisp, lay the mother and her two children. An inquiry is to be made as to the cause of the fire.

4 Dead, 8 Hurt, Was Day's Record.

Boston, Dec. 9.—Four persons dead and eight under medical treatment comprised Saturday's list from violent deaths, accidents and sudden illness. And the death record will be further added to if a man, supposed to be Michael King, who now lies at the City hospital, suffering from concussion of the brain, fails to rally.

Plunging headlong from the roof of the Hotel Westminster, down the elevator shaft directly onto the top of the elevator, John Johnson, a colored engineer, employed at the hotel, met a horrible death Saturday morning. Johnson, as was his custom, went to the top of the shaft to oil the machinery, and while at work lost his balance. He was firmly wedged between the top of the car and the shaft that it took some time for guests and hotel employees to extricate him. Death came shortly after.

Much secrecy was maintained about the accident, the hotel people refusing to give out any information regarding it. The policeman on the route was notified. Word was sent to the medical examiner and he ordered the body taken to the City hospital morgue. It was nearly noon before it arrived there. The headless body of a colored woman was found Saturday morning on the tracks of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad near the Back Bay station by baggage-master John Killian. She is supposed, from letters found in her undergarments, to be Mrs. Priscilla Horton.

It is thought that the woman was either struck while waiting for a New York train or had just got off coming from that direction. She was between 60 and 65 years of age, aged 44 months. George Clark, for the past four months a lodger at 11 Hazen street, was found dead in his bed Saturday afternoon, with the gas turned on. The fact that all cracks and crevices about the room had been carefully stuffed with paper makes the police assert he committed suicide. Clark had been out of work for some time. Michael Corey, 65, a lodger at 22 Warren street, was found dead in bed in his room by the landlady. Death is supposed to have resulted from natural causes.

No More Jap Laborers Here.

Tokio, Dec. 9.—There is reason to believe that the entire question of emigration of Japanese to America has been satisfactorily settled, at least for the present, after a series of conferences which have been held between United States Ambassador O'Brien and Minister of Foreign Affairs Hayashi. It is understood that at their last meeting the representatives of the Japanese government outlined a plan by which it is agreed to limit emigration to students and commercial men having means of support, and to entirely prevent Japanese laborers from going to America.

A Reproof.

Ellen (the nurse, to little girl of 6, who is supposed to have an afternoon every day)—Nancy, you are a naughty little girl not to have gone to sleep last afternoon. Nancy (reproachfully)—Ellen! Ellen! Don't you remember the three times you looked over the screen and I was fast asleep—Punch.

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SIN OF THE STREETS.

Young Criminals in the Making and New York's Juvenile Court. A day spent in New York's children's court will never be forgotten. Here all the youthful offenders are tried. Into the court crowd more of human interest than in any other court in the world. Before its bar is constantly passing a great procession of human incongruities, scenes vibrant with pathos and humor, for both pathos and humor consist in the perception of incongruities. It is the sine of the parents and the sine of the living conditions that the overcrowded city forces on its children that here stand out most strikingly. The real culprit is more often the delinquent parent than the delinquent child. The sight of a child trotting to a saloon two or three times a day, pall in hand, to procure the family supply of beer—a familiar one in a great city—impedes the parent for a criminal indifference. Small wonder that the child's moral perceptions are obliterated and his instincts perverted in such surroundings. It is in the streets, the vice worn streets, that the child learns to gamble, to swear, to steal. He cannot help it. He must employ the ways of his companions if he is to survive among them. And the ways of his companions lead oftenest to the children's court.—Delinquent.

Queer Ant Wings.

In the "Comptes Rendus" M. Charles Janet has an interesting note on the muscular apparatus of the wings of the queen ant. Although the wings are only used once in a lifetime of perhaps ten years, this apparatus is the largest organ in the body. After fertilization the wings are cast aside and the muscles disappear, being replaced by little columns of adipose tissue. The disappearance of the muscles has been attributed to phagocytosis—that is, the absorbing of the tissues by leucocytes. Janet, however, shows that there is no phagocytosis, but that the material of the muscles goes to enrich the blood.—London Globe.

Medicine of the Soul.

Medicine and religion, which are too frequently regarded as mutually antagonistic, should be mutually complementary. There are many diseases in which the medicine of the soul is a powerful adjunct in the treatment of the body.—British Medical Journal.

Drawing a Line.

"I will come home feeling like a new woman," wrote his wife. "Well, don't come home and act like one," cautioned her husband.—Houston Post.

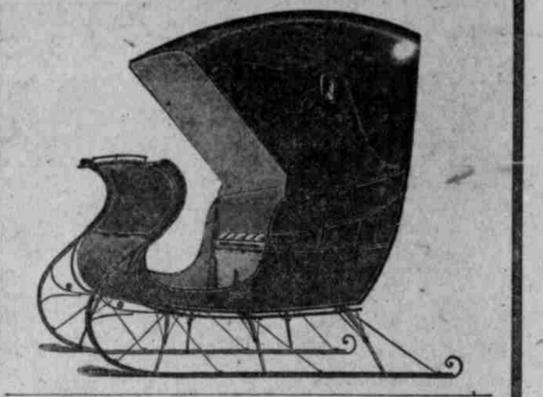
GOLF IN HOLLAND.

An Almanac of 1500 Shows the Dutch Putting at Holes. England did not borrow golf originally from France, but from Holland, whence the Scots used to buy balls, if not clubs, till a crushing duty was placed on Dutch golf balls. Indeed, there is abundant evidence, including that of Froissart, to prove that the Scots got everything from Holland ready made in exchange for raw materials. However it was managed, we got golf balls from Holland and adopted the Flemish invention of the hole. This was the most brilliant invention of the Batavian genius. All continental people played at an iron hoop or at a fixed object like the pin in croquet, but an illuminated almanac of about 1500 shows that in the Low Countries players already putted at holes. The other kind of game, driving with hammer headed clubs and lofting through an iron ring instead of putting at the hole, reached England from France in the sixteenth century, but died out after the revolution of 1688. It is still played in the neighborhood of Montpellier and in a rude fashion, with a queer iron headed club, in the north of France.—London News.

Postoffice "Daredevil."

On an average no less than 120,000 letters are posted annually without any address, some of them containing money which amounts to about \$3,000 a year. Among the cryptogram addresses submitted for decipherment to the postoffice expert were "Obanviodock," which being interpreted is "Holborn Viaduct," and "Hilowite," which stands more obviously for "isle of Wight." These were easy of decipherment compared with a letter addressed "Hasebeach in so fampstere," which nevertheless was duly forwarded to "Hasebeach, Northamptonshire," and with another thus superscribed, "The Cectory of Wore, Chelsey Oultite, London, Queen Victoria," which was duly delivered to the secretary of war.—T. P.'s London Weekly.

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